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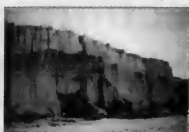


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Friday

Mostly Sunny

High: 66
Low: 44

Saturday

Sunny

High: 75
Low: 47

Sunday

Sunny

High: 78
Low: 53

UMW Mourns VT Victims

32 Murdered In Student Massacre, UMW Shows Solidarity

By ELIZABETH NOWROUZ
News Editor

It has been three days since April 16. Three days since maroon and orange became not just a team's colors, but a show of courage and defiance in the face of a national tragedy.

While the students, faculty and families struggle to pick up the pieces, schools like UMW are making every effort to just show their support.

It has been called the Columbine of college, and international news is still saturated with images of the victims, the shooter and a campus in mourning. Many students at the University of Mary Washington, located just 200 miles from the Blacksburg campus, had personal connections to Virginia Tech.

When senior Susan Alexander found out about the shootings, she immediately began contacting her high school classmates at Tech. It was not until the next morning that she discovered a close family friend was one of the victims.

"She was in her French class," Alexander said. Reema Samaha was a Virginia Tech freshman attending class in Norris Hall on Monday morning.

The two families had known each other for years, Alexander said, and



Beth Wilkins/Bullet

Over 200 students gathered in Palmieri Plaza for a candlelight vigil Monday night in remembrance of the 32 victims of the massacre at Virginia Tech that occurred Monday morning.

"we would all spend our summers together."

Alexander returned to her hometown of Centreville to find it "transformed."

"There are signs and banners everywhere, because two of the victims were from there, but so was the shooter," she said.

Junior Nicole Halloran, who organized a vigil Monday night and has helped plan another for tonight, had many friends and classmates at the school.

"We should show solidarity," Halloran said. "This is one of the best and only ways to do that. This could have

happened anywhere."

In the hours after the events unfolded, there was already a second vigil planned, this one by senior Jennifer Welsch and junior Jessica Thiel.

Thiel did not have any close friends or relatives at Tech, but felt she needed to pay her respects. The girls' Facebook group asked students to meet at the fountain in Palmieri Plaza at 9 p.m.

"What if someone walked into my class and started shooting," Thiel said as she passed out candles to the quickly forming crowd. "It's a Virginia school, I had to do something."

Thiel addressed the crowd, many of them wearing Virginia Tech colors,

and asked them to form a circle and join hands.

She began to pray for "the students who woke up this morning and thought it was any other day, who walked into class, but didn't get to leave."

Thiel had barely begun speaking when the group from Ball Circle arrived at the fountain, and the circle grew to accommodate them.

When the prayer was finished, the students, who had numbered over 200, passed a bucket of orange Gatorade powder around, each person emptying

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Frawley 'Recovering' River

By KATY BURNELL
Assistant News Editor

Questions persisting in the wake of President Frawley's April 11 arrest prompted him to issue a statement late Wednesday night addressing his health. Frawley disclosed details about his medical condition, but information about the events leading up to his arrest does not seem forthcoming.

Frawley was released from medical custody Monday afternoon following treatment for a previously-undiagnosed heart condition. The heart condition, coupled with injuries he sustained during the accidents leading to last week's DUI charges, left Frawley in Mary Washington Hospital for five and a half days.

"It is only at the present time that I am able to return to other tasks and to communicate fully," Frawley said.

Although UMW officials have been in contact with the President since his admittance to MWH's Intensive Care Unit last Wednesday, Frawley's interaction with the administration has been



Katy Burnell/Bullet

Poole places Frawley on paid leave, effective April 12.

limited to date.
Frawley's interim replacement, Rick

Hurley, said that he had not spoken with Frawley since his arrest. Hurley said that although they had exchanged emails, he did not know much more than an average student about Frawley's health or pending court cases.

Hurley said he could understand the public's desire for additional details about Frawley's health and legal proceedings. He encouraged the school to continue informing the community as events unfolded.

"The best possible outcome is that we'll find some explanation for what's transpired that all of us can understand and accept," Hurley said.

Frawley expressed remorse for the impact his actions have had on the Mary Washington community, stressing that these actions were "totally out of character" for him.

This assertion resonates with his colleagues' reaction to Frawley's alcohol-related charges.

Dianne Lipscomb, Frawley's interim replacement at George Washington University's Columbian College of Arts

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River Runs Clean

By TIERNEY PLUMB
Associate Editor

Last year, 25,000 pounds of physical trash—including bibles, old refrigerators and tires—was collected along the 184-mile Rappahannock River.

This Saturday, Friends of the Rappahannock (FOR) a non-profit organization promoting the conservation and recreational values of the Rappahannock since 1985, will join 200 to 300 local volunteers for its bi-annual cleanup along 29 sites of the Rappahannock.

"Things collect all winter along banks," said Bill Micks, owner of the Virginia Outdoor Center. "Fishermen leave bait buckets—and a fair amount of trash."

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SGA Candidate Contends For Re-do

By KATY BURNELL
Assistant News Editor

What should have been a routine election for vice president of the group that considers student conduct turned in to a quagmire of campaign violations and ensuing accusations resulting in a re-do.

The April 5 Judicial Review Board re-election ended in victory for the previously defeated candidate, sophomore Nick Perilla. Perilla contested the first-round results after losing to junior Yerin Cho by less than half a percentage point.

Although Perilla said he's happy with the win, he's even happier to have the elections behind him.

"This has been extremely frustrating. It hasn't been fun at all," Perilla said. "I could not believe that a school election could turn out the way it did."

Throughout the election process Cho filed several complaints with the student-run group that oversees school elections concerning Perilla's campaign tactics, both around campus and online. Cho's grievances extend to the group's president-elect Sarah Goodrum.

Cho accused Goodrum, the only JRB officer to win an uncontested election this year, of breaking campaign rules, and then lying about it. Goodrum is now facing honor charges as a result.

Senior Amanda McCuskey, a co-chair of the group that monitors student elections said that she'd never encoun-

tered anything like this year's JRB vice presidential race in her three years on the Election Rules and Procedures committee.

"It's been absolutely insane," McCuskey said.

Although the ERP does not keep historical records, Dean of Student Life Cedric Rucker said that UMW has not held a re-election since the late 90s.

McCuskey said she fielded at least four complaints from Cho about Perilla and Goodrum during the second election. Before the run-off even began Cho filed an appeal to let the initial results stand. Cho said she was not satisfied with the ERP's decision to hold run-off elections based on a minor posting violation.

Perilla contested Cho's victory on the grounds that she had broken a campaign rule limiting the number of posters allowed on each side of the bulletin boards.

"She only won by seven votes and she had seven illegal posters up," Perilla said. "Had it been a greater margin I wouldn't have contested it, but it was just too close."

Cho maintains that the ERP's decision was unfair, because she took down the posters within 24 hours. Afterwards, Cho said, McCuskey assured her that everything was fine.

"To have the incident brought up again when I thought I had reassurance

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Weekly Events

Study Skills Workshop

Thursday, April 19 at 10 a.m.
Red Room, Campus Center

Spring Symfornal

Friday, April 20 at 8 p.m.
Lee Hall Ballroom

UMW's only co-ed a cappella group's bi-annual invitational will feature The Overtones from James Madison University. \$3 for students and \$5 for non-students. Contact Carly Barron at cbarr8sl@umw.edu for more info.

Vonnegut Vigil

Saturday, April 21 at 8 p.m.
the Amphitheater

"Celebrate the life of one of America's finest authors!" Bring a flashlight and a copy of Slaughterhouse-Five. Contact David Moore at 703.577.0087 for more info.

Walkathon for Hope

Saturday, April 21 from 1:30-6pm
Campus Walk.

The second-annual Walkathon, hosted by Students Helping Honduras, will feature free professional massages, BBQ, live music, prizes, giveaways, and more while supporting a great cause. SHH hopes to raise \$200,000, which will be used to build 72 new homes in Siete de Abril, Honduras.

Ritmo en Fuego

Walkathon Afterparty

Saturday, April 21, at 9 p.m.
Great Hall.

The Walkathon afterparty, presented by the Latin Dance Club, will feature free food, prizes, and live Latin and hip-hop music. Admission is free. E-mail latin-danceclub@gmail.com for more info.

3-on-3 Basketball

Tournament
Sunday, April 22 at 10 a.m.
Goolrick Hall

Hosted by the Women's Club Basketball

team. Registration opens at 10 a.m. and games begin at 11 a.m. Participants can pre-register by emailing wclubbasketball@umw.edu for \$15 or register on-site Sunday morning for \$20. Prizes will be awarded to the winners and a portion of the proceeds will go to Students Helping Honduras. For more information, please contact Sam Staebell at sstaebec@umw.edu.

Earth Day Celebration

Sunday, April 22 at noon

Hosted by the Ecology Club and the First Year Experience program, the event kicks off with a campus trash pickup and a tree-planting. Sign-up to help with trash pick-up will be at a table in the Nest all week from 12-2 p.m. Contact Laura Pilati at lpilati@umw.edu for more info.

Vigils Show Support For VT

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a scoop into the fountain. As a chorus of "Lean On Me" spread through the crowd, the water slowly began to turn Hokie Orange.

Senior Kyle Ott, who attended Monday's vigil, had actually been in Blacksburg when the shootings took place.

"My girlfriend goes to Tech, so I drive down Saturday afternoon," Ott said. "She had a meeting at 10, and the campus went on lockdown while she was there."

Ott was not on campus, but could not get near because of the police.

"I was concerned about her and that she'd go outside," he said. "A girl from her sorority was killed, but she was fine and I left at like noon."

Though the responses have been mostly from students, many UMW faculty and staff had connections to the events as well.

Jack Bales, the reference and humanities librarian, is the parent of a Virginia Tech student. His son Patrick is a sophomore there. Jack Bales spoke of his experience in an e-mail.

"My son [called me and] asked me, 'Dad, have you heard the news,'" Bales said. "He told me about the first shooting."

Bales' son lives in West Ambler Johnston Hall, the site of the first shooting. His dormitory, like the rest of the campus, was locked down after the second shooting.

Families and friends struggled to get

in touch with students at Tech all day. Cell phones stopped working early in the day, and so many of the victims' names did not come out until Monday night or Tuesday morning.

versity, a 15-minute drive from Blacksburg.

Pearce was at a function for accepted students at the university when he heard of the shootings.



Beth Wilkins/Bullet

A home-made sign expresses sympathy and support for the Virginia Tech campus community at a candlelight vigil.

Associate Vice President for Business and Finance Richard Pearce is a Virginia Tech alumnus and parent. His daughter Darcey, a senior at Virginia Tech, was out of the area on Monday, but Pearce himself was at Radford Uni-

"Everyone there was just glued to the TVs that whole morning," he said. "The crowd was just numb. Even in the dining hall, it was just quiet."

Rick Hurley, vice president for administration and finance, who has as-

Campus Lectures Enable Human Rights Awareness

By BRITTANY DEVRIES

Assistant News Editor

A plethora of presentations earlier in the week that helped raise human rights awareness on and off campus. UMW's James Farmer Multicultural Center and Disabilities Services hosted the events.

With this year's contending focus on human rights, the Multicultural Center invited Tara J. Melish, UN special consultant for Mental Disabilities Rights International, and Eileen L. Zurbruggen, associate professor of social psychology at the University of California, Santa Cruz, to lecture on their particular involvement with human rights.

Disabilities Services' own awareness week, which hosted presentations by UMW professors Christopher Foss and Scott Ligon, ran juxtaposed to the one held by the Multicultural Center not only in time but in many of the issues that the presenters had spoke of during them.

Melish, who helped lead the drafting process for a UN Convention, a five-year negotiated treaty on the rights of persons with disabilities, presented her work to a small and informal crowd at the Lee Hall Ballroom last Tuesday.

"We've historically looked at disabilities as a medical model," Melish said. "Then society segregates them from the rest of us. The Convention is meant to change the entire way we think about disabilities, and make it not a medical model but a social model."

According to an article written by Melish that she handed out at her lecture, the Convention was started in 2001 after the Mexico initiative was granted. The UN General Assembly established an Ad Hoc committee to consider any Convention proposals related to the rights of persons with disabilities.

Melish said that the Convention's significance was that persons with disabilities took a critical part in its development.

The following evening, the Multicultural Center hosted Eileen Zurbruggen, who held a much more largely attended lecture titled "The Sexualization of Girls: How Culture and Corpo-

rations are Damaging Our Daughters."

Chair of the American Psychological Association task force on the sexualization of girls, Zurbruggen said that the committee's charge was to examine the best psychological theory, research and clinical experience addressing the sexualization of girls.

Developing four interconnected theories, Zurbruggen used thongs, Barbies, magazine clips and contemporary song lyrics to portray how girls are objectified in society to the audience on Wednesday night.

"The message being given is that the only way a woman can have power is to be sexy," Zurbruggen said.

On Monday evening, Ligon began the Disabilities Services awareness week by presenting a screening of his award-winning film short "Escape Velocity."

Autobiographically drawing upon his own experience with Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD), Ligon used his family, career, and personal experience to make a connection between ADD and creativity.

Junior Noah Hughey-Commers was uncertain about Ligon's cinematic portrayal of ADD.

"He did a really good job of showing ADD, and building it intrinsically into his film," Hughey-Commers said.

Christopher Foss, associate professor of English, presented the second part of the Disabilities Services awareness week on Wednesday afternoon with his paper on Autistic Spectrum Disorder, showing film clips incorporating characters with autism or Asperger's Disorder.

"In films, characters with disabilities are used as a vehicle for another's redemption," Foss said, reiterating his written thesis. "They portray an exploitative representation of persons with disabilities, and autism in particular."

First inspired by his attendance at the University's teaching innovation program seminar on teaching people with disabilities, Foss said the paper was his first attempt "at a critical project in disabilities studies."

Foss manifested the recurring point
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Perilla Wins SGA Runoff Election

Incoming JRB President Faces Honor Charges Following SGA Campaign Controversy

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from the ERP chair saying that it was alright since I had corrected the problem felt like a backstab," Cho said. "I have never seen a more tainted election process."



Courtesy of UMW.edu

Campaign controversy extended to the Internet with both candidates crying foul on each other's Facebook support groups. The ERP ordered Perilla and Cho to modify the language used in their group profiles after deeming some statements to be in violation of campaign rules.

The vice presidential candidates' on-line activities may have earned each a slap on the wrist from the ERP, but incoming JRB president Sarah Goodrum faces more substantive charges from her Facebook faux pas.

Goodrum unwittingly violated campaign rules when she endorsed Perilla by accepting his invitation to join the Facebook group "Pick Nick for JRB VP". Goodrum said that she joined the group by mistake, and was unaware that her recent victory elevated her to a status in student government that prohibited her from endorsing any candidate.

Cho's suitemate, junior Anna Cloeter, said she received two invitations from Goodrum to join "Pick Nick for JRB VP".

ERP co-chair Amanda McCuskey, who is also Goodrum's roommate, said that she and fellow ERP chair TR Revelia assessed the situation after Cho brought the violation to their attention.

"She's telling me that she invited people on accident. I don't really know that works, but for the moment I'll have to take her at her word," McCuskey said.

After investigating Cho's complaint against Goodrum the ERP ruled in Goodrum's favor, because she had not been told that endorsing Perilla would be a campaign violation. Goodrum also demonstrated her remorse by immediately leaving "Pick Nick for JRB VP" and e-mailing Cho an apology.

sumed presidential duties, has been working with students and faculty to come up with an appropriate response to the events.

His first action was to increase police presence on campus.

"We weren't worried, but we wanted to send a message to the students," Hurley said. "We wanted to do what we could to give a higher level of comfort."

Situations like this, Hurley said, always raise questions about local security.

"We have a crisis management team that can come together at a moment's notice, as it did last week," he said, referring to the incidents with UMW President William Frawley.

"We contact academic buildings and residence halls, and have the residence staff get in touch with as many people as possible," he said. "For a school as small as we are, we can do that. It's an old-fashioned system, but it works."

Hurley has been working with students on campus to plan memorials to the victims. In addition to the state-wide vigil planned for tonight, Governor Kaine has declared Friday to be the national day of mourning.

"We are hoping to set up a line of students from the bell tower to Goolrick," he said. "Everyone will hold hands and observe a moment of silence."

"We all hear that we should not take our good fortune for granted," Bales said. "But until something like this happens, we all probably do."

In the e-mail, Goodrum stated that she joined Perilla's group by accident, and offered to write an apology to Cho's suitemate, Anna Cloeter for sending her an invitation. Goodrum never received a response.

Cho said she was personally offended by Goodrum's actions, and tried to appeal the ERP's decision to the JRB with no success.

"I don't know how she thought it would be okay to endorse a candidate when she was newly elected," Cho said. "In my opinion, someone who went against the SGA Constitution and the Honor Code does not deserve to be considered a student leader."

Perilla said that he was shocked when Goodrum informed him that she was being brought up on Honor Charges.

"I feel like it's an abuse of the honor system," Perilla said.

Honor Council Vice President Alex Fletcher, who is investigating Cho's accusations, said that he could not comment on Goodrum's case, but said that 95 percent of Honor investigations con-



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ducted lead to a hearing.

Goodrum said she did not know how to react when she found the honor council summons in her mailbox on the Wednesday before the run-off elections. "I was so confused," Goodrum said. "I feel like this situation is unfair, and I hope it gets resolved as soon as possible."

The day Goodrum received her summons she emailed Cho to try and talk things out. According to Goodrum, Cho responded by saying that they should have no further contact during the honor investigation.

Look back, Cho said she is relieved that the elections are over, and said that she thinks Perilla will do a good job next year.

"I believe Nick is more than qualified," Cho said. "He showed extraordinary fervor in his campaign towards the end and that really surprised me because I had not seen it during the first elections."

Correction

In the April 12 edition of The Bulletin, Monica Owens was not recognized for contributing to the article "Saints March In, Defeat Eagle Men."

Viewpoints

Staff Editorial

Beth Wilkins
Photography Editor

On April 16, 2007, Cho Seung Hui opened fire at Virginia Tech killing 33 people in total, including himself. The news and devastation of this event traveled quickly from college to college as friends and family phoned to see if their loved ones were safe. Each time I check an updated news feed, each time I receive more "answers" to what exactly happened, I understand less and less. This was no foreign power attacking a nation, this was no fight over oil or money or power. This was one of our own, a person who was seen daily by classmates and professors. Our friends and family members were taken at a time when we are supposed to be beginning life and really living.

At a prayer meeting on Monday night a student said, "Let's pray that this never happens again." The truth is that this probably will happen again, and if not this, something else in our lifetime. I don't know why

someone would do this. I do know, however, that instead of "getting on with our lives," we have been changed. We will forever be changed.

An article on health released on February 27, 2007, by MSNBC, reported on a new comprehensive study that claimed our generation as the most narcissistic generation to date. We have been dubbed "Generation Me."

On most days I may agree with this survey, however on Monday as I glanced around me I saw nothing but pure concern and compassion for others. There were no messages of hate sent back and forth, no "you owe me," only words of love.

Each hurdle we cross, each time we are torn down, even by ourselves, it brings us closer. Take no one for granted, know your classmates, and take the time to turn our generation into one of proactive caring.

A Warning About Warming

By ELISA WALKER
Guest Columnist

This letter was written in response to "You're Killin' Me: A Column for the Misanthropes of UMW" (April 12, 2007, *The Bulletin*).

Dear Editor:

Sara Byrd's claim that global warming does not exist (or is simply not a problem) is one of the most ridiculous, poorly written and poorly argued articles that I have ever read.

Byrd's twisted logic jumps from Al Gore's mansion, to supposed "adolescent green peace angst," to Mars. From all that, she somehow reaches the false conclusion that global warming does not exist. Well, it actually does exist, and there's no doubt in science that global warming is one of the biggest threats to humanity.

To address Byrd's claims one by one, Gore's mansion is not quite the energy waster she claims it is. According to *The Washington Post*, a spokesman for Gore says that "the power coming into [Gore's] residence is green, renewable power."

Furthermore, the organization Byrd cites (Tennessee Center for Policy Research) is not nearly as independent and non-partisan as it claims to be; rather, it's often considered a right-wing think tank. SourceWatch, a project of the Center for Media and Democracy, says that "according to the Tennessee Department of Revenue, TCPR is 'not a legitimate organization.'" No wonder they would widely misinform the public about Gore's energy use.

In any case, an attack on Al Gore's personal actions, whether true or not, has nothing to do with the truth of global warming. Byrd's second main point regards the issue of "global cooling." As she points out, global cooling seems completely opposite to global warming—but that's just on the surface. As soon as you research the topic a little, it makes perfect sense: global warming can cause ice ages.

Here's the science behind that: Europe is heated by warm winds blowing off the Gulf Stream. The ocean current carrying warm water north from the Equator and cold water south from the Arctic Cir-

cle. When enormous quantities of fresh water suddenly enter the system in the north (for example, from melting glaciers) the entire cycle shuts down. Once the Gulf Stream stops, Europe loses its main heating mechanism, and it enters an ice age in as little as 10 years time. This has happened in the past, and it will happen again if the glaciers over Greenland melt—and they're well on their way. So it is actually true that global warming can cause ice ages. Next time Byrd might want to check out the facts and research a topic before she makes conclusions about it.

Finally, the worst claim of all: Byrd claims that since Mars is warming and is also the closest planet to the sun, that must mean that the sun is exploding and that global warming doesn't exist.

Well, Mars is actually not the closest planet to the sun. It's the fourth planet away from the sun. If Byrd is going to base her entire argument on one single fact, the least she can do is make sure that fact is correct.

There are several other problems with the conclusion Byrd reaches about Mars. First, she doesn't cite any sources for the so-called fact that Mars has "reported gradual indications of global warming." Second, she misses a very critical difference between Earth and Mars; Earth has humans, and we probably won't survive any dramatic global climate changes.

Finally, Byrd makes the leap in logic to say that because Mars is supposedly heating, that must mean that the sun is "burning out." Actually, any star the size of the sun lasts many billions of years, and the sun itself has at least 5 billion years left before it explodes.

When it really comes down to it, Byrd's article was simply a bash on Al Gore and on all environmentalists in general. It was not based on any science or actual facts, and it accomplishes nothing except to unsuccessfully try to deny the existence of one of the best known and best verified scientific phenomena: global warming. Global warming is not pleasant, but it is the reality. People need to accept the facts and realize that unless we do something about it, it's here to stay.

Elisa Walker is a freshman and treasurer of the UMW Ecology Club.

Gun-Free School Zones Ineffective

By T. LOGAN METESH
Guest Columnist

First and foremost, I would like to express my deepest concerns, sympathy and condolences to the families of all those impacted by the Monday, April 16 shooting at Virginia Tech. The event is a terrible tragedy that has robbed the world of numerous bright minds and ambitious souls. Though I do not know any of the victims personally, I mourn their loss to society as a whole.

While the Virginia Tech shooting was a tragedy, we must eventually get over the shock of the event and evaluate the situation. Sadly, these events should come as no surprise, as we as a society have experienced a number of deadly school shootings over the past few years. Despite this, no effective measures to prevent future incidences have been taken.

Unfortunately, the gun-free school zones that every school has in effect (including Jonesboro, Columbine, Virginia Tech, etc.) have not stopped these individuals from taking the lives of innocent students and faculty. Most attempts to curb school shootings have been ineffective; they are little more than "feel-good" safety precautions. They do little to nothing to prevent further shootings.

Because of this, I advocate college campuses acknowledge the federal law in over 40 states that allows individuals, students and faculty alike, who are 21 years of age or older and have successfully passed all safety/competency tests, legal checks and health inspections to carry a handgun.

Now wait just a minute before you immediately call me crazy and discredit anything I say. All I ask is that you hear me out. You don't have to agree with me. That's the beauty of living in America.

That being said, the concept of armed citizens works. If it didn't work, then 75 percent of the states wouldn't have such laws on the books. All it would have taken was one or two armed teachers at Columbine or Jonesboro and one or two armed students or teachers at Virginia Tech to successfully put the shooter down and prevent further deaths and injuries. The facts speak for themselves. In states where citizens are allowed to carry a handgun, their crime rates dropped significantly compared to their crime rates before the law. The idea that more guns equal more crime is a fallacy.

It is clear that the idea of gun-free school zones do not work. If they did, then we would have never had the tragedy at Virginia Tech.

It was reported that the police were at Virginia Tech just two minutes after the first 911 call was placed. However, it takes only seconds to pull a trigger. The damage had already been done by the time police arrived. One or two armed individuals on campus could have effectively put down the gunman and stopped the madness right then and there. Instead, the students had to wait on the police. Please understand that I am not ridiculing the efforts of the brave men and women in law enforcement. I am only trying to convey the idea that this tragedy could have been stopped if the campus had been armed.

Colleges and universities should not be denied the rights that the rest of the states' citizens are entitled to. The sooner college and university administrations realize that gun-free school zones provide only lip service to its students, the better off we'll all be. Emergency responses are measured in minutes, but the difference between life and death is measured in seconds.

T. Logan Metesh is a freshman.

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Features

Spring Formal To Surprise Students

By MEGAN GRIGORIAN
Staff Writer

UMW's Spring Formal is back, with a catch: the location won't be revealed until students board the buses on the day of the event, this Friday.

The administration decided to nix Spring Formal last year, due to a history of problems with underage drinking, drunk driving and puking sessions on the chartered buses.

Class Council has been working ever since to get it back.

"It is a tradition of the college and we wanted to keep it alive, despite not having it last year," said Trish Lauck, class council promotions director.

The Office of Student Activities decided to withhold the location in order to prevent students from driving drunk to the event. Class Council has chartered 10 buses, each seating 35, to take the party-goers to the formal.

According to Class Council, it was never their intention to cancel the formal in 2005, but the administration felt it was the only way to prevent more catastrophes. Class Council spent the last few semesters brainstorming ideas to get the administration back on board.

Eddy Thornton, secretary and treasurer for Class Council, says students aren't fazed by the secret location. Tickets went on sale last week and only 50 of the 300 available tickets remain.

"Even though students don't know where it is being held, they're still buying tickets," Thornton said. "It shows that they trust Class Council."

Tickets were sold at \$30 for a single ticket and \$50 per couple.

According to Lauck, sales have decreased compared to previous years.

"People used to camp out to buy tickets,

and they usually sold out within a couple hours," Lauck said. Even though Class Council can't disclose the location, Thornton says it's only an hour bus ride away.

"I honestly think it's going to be great," Thornton said. "The venue is awesome."

With rumors circulating that the location is Great Hall or Houston's, some students are reluctant to shell out the cash unless guaranteed a good time.

Junior

Lauren Lusk

says the risk

isn't worth

the money.

"I feel like

it's so hyped-up

and I don't even

know where we're

going," Lusk said. "It

has a huge possibility for

disappointment."

Junior Sarah Lindberg

remembers the days when the formal

was held on a boat on the Potomac

River. Since she was unable to attend her freshman year, Lindberg says she's excited for the event.

"They wouldn't bring it back unless it was going to be just as fun as previous years," she said.

There are mixed reviews when it comes to the effectiveness of withholding the location.

"I think it's smart not to tell because it will prevent drunk driving, but I also think they're using it...to get more people to go," Lusk said.



According to the Executive Board of Class

Council, the event will cost more than \$30,000.

The group already booked the venue and chartered buses. They also reserved a catering company, florist, and lighting designer and hired DJ Hooded Wolf for the event.

In addition to keeping the location hush-hush, Class Council took extra precautions to cut down on underage drinking. The bar is only accessible to the 21 and older crowd and there will be security guards carding and issuing wristbands.

Despite controversy over the secret location, some students still recognize the significance Spring Formal carries.

"I know it's a huge tradition for the school," Lindberg said. "I don't want to miss out."

Date: Friday, April 20
Time: 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.
**Buses load at 8:30 p.m. and depart at 9 p.m.*
Attire: black tie optional
refreshments: catered food and \$3 beer and wine.
Entertainment: DJ Frequency spinning all night.

UMW Lends A Hand To Displaced Children

By LENA MOSES-SCHMITT
Staff Writer

For Mary Washington senior Jennifer Welsh, the weekend before finals usually means holing up in the library, studying all day and drinking strong cups of coffee.

But this semester Welsh and several other students will be spending their last weekend of school sleeping at a mall in Washington, D.C.

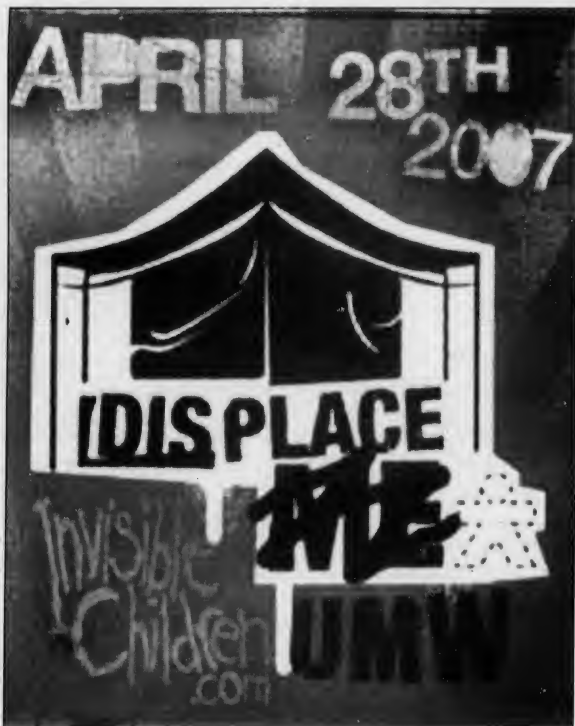
The event, Displace Me, is being hosted by Invisible Children, Inc. Its goal is to recognize the internally displaced people in Northern Uganda—peoples who were forced to leave their homes to stay in displacement camps for protection from abduction by the Lord's Resistance Army, a rebel militia. Many have been displaced for more than ten years.

"We want to go as a [UMW] team, because we want to make a really big presence there," said Rachel Mason, sophomore and member of the Invisible Children group. "Not everyone knows who Mary Washington is, so we want to show up with our [matching Displace Me] T-shirts and an impressive amount of people. We'll have a team there."

Welsh, who is also president of the Invisible Children group at UMW, decided to screen the Invisible Children documentary after she watched it at home this past winter break.

"The film [is] supposed to inspire you and make you do radical thing. You can choose how involved you want to be," said Welsh. "As a senior, what other chance am I going to have to do something this radical."

For those students who didn't get a chance to see the first screening, Invisible Children is a documentary made by



three young men in 2003. Directed toward the youth of America, Invisible Children depicts the unfolding tragedy of children being abducted from their homes, being forced to become child soldiers for the Lord's Resistance Army. In order to escape abduction, children flee nightly from their homes to sleep in cities where they will be safe. Others reside in displacement camps.

According to the Invisible Children Web site, the Ugandan conflict dates back to the start of the civil war in 1986. In 1994, the Lord's Resistance Army established bases in southern Sudan (on the border of northern Uganda). In 1995, abduction of children from Acholiland (in Northern Uganda) began after support for the LRA started dwindling. This was when the government began to urge residents to relocate to internally displaced persons' camps.

In 2002, attacks on northern Uganda increased when the LRA was forced out of southern Sudan. Families escaped from unprotected displacement camps and children started fleeing to town centers at night to escape abduction, being called "night commuters".

Gulu, a district of northern Uganda, now hosts 15,000 children nightly in bus parks and emergency accommodation centers. The number of displaced people is now 1.5 million and an estimated 1,000 people die weekly due to poor conditions in displacement camps.

"If you want to make a difference come to Displace Me. It's on the mall, so it will make a statement to people that this needs to be changed," Welsh said. "One of the main influences [on helping] to end the LRA is to show support from the U.S."

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Thumbs Up...Thumbs Down...



To blading.



To rain and wind.



To purple pants.



To traffic violations.

Students To Stand Up For Uganda

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government and the U.S. has yet to show political involvement to help Uganda."

Displace Me is happening in fifteen major cities around the nation, and so far over 2,000 people are signed up for the event in Washington, D.C.

"I love that it is our generation, our youth, that can make a difference," Welsh said. "You hear all about older generations making a difference. This organization is for the youth of our generation. We can look back at the Holocaust but this is happening now and we can do something now. Uganda is our World War II. It is our way to make a difference."

According to the Uganda Conflict Action Network Web site the ceasefire between the Ugandan government and the LRA ended on February 28 and the stalled peace talks are set to start up again on April 13.

Also, the Displace Me Web site reports the rations delivered to the displacement camps by the World Food Program are going to be cut in half starting this month.

The Uganda Conflict Action Network site claims that humanitarian organizations have been urging other governments, such as those of the U.K. and the U.S., to help the process, but that the issue remains a low priority for these governments.

"Anything America does gets noticed. So, if you have thousands of people in D.C. sleeping outside it will get on the news and everyone will see it on the news it gets noticed," Mason said. "There's no way that thousands of people sleeping outside in major cities will go unnoticed."

Although Displace Me does indeed take place the weekend before finals, this is a great opportunity for students and youth to



make a difference.

Welsh, who will be graduating in May, understands the event comes at a time when most students are concerned with studying for their final exams, but she wants to urge students to get involved while they still can.

"Let's be the first to start a fire, to ignite a passion to do something greater than us. I'm gonna be there with my books learning things at the last minute," she said. "By going to this event, by sacrificing what you do for someone else, you're making a difference."

Participants should bring:
A 1.5 liter bottle of water
Cardboard (to make a possible tent)

A box of Saltines
A photo of the participant
wearing a white shirt with a red X, the Displace Me symbol

For more information contact:
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or visit their Web site at
invisiblechildren.com

UMW Takes On \$2 A Day Challenge

By KAY BOATNER
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From Monday, April 2 to Friday, April 6, Mary Washington Assistant Professor Shawn Humphrey challenged his Economic Development class to live on just \$2 a day.

Humphrey's proposal received so much recognition, however, that participants included several students outside of the economics discipline. What started out as a simple class project ended up being a university-wide event.

UMW sophomore Courtney Hayes and junior Samantha Oliver worked to help Humphrey implement the project. The girls started a Facebook site, which now has 76 members, and began posting about the challenge on Middlesell.com.

Following all of the publicity, about 23 participants agreed to live on the proposed \$2 a day for a week. According to the project's Web site, almost half of the world's population (2.8 billion) lives on less than that amount daily.

side in.

Humphrey, along with five UMW students, recorded their experiences on blogs that were linked to the project's main website.

Junior Katie Mauro found it difficult to go a week without showering.

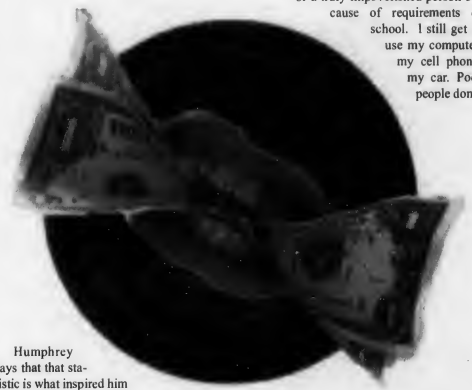
"I did not wait more than 5 minutes [after the challenge finished] before jumping in the shower. I don't think I have ever been so happy to take a shower, that's probably why it lasted about an hour," Mauro wrote on her blog.

Junior Nicole Halloran also felt relieved when the project was over.

"I feel as if a great weight has been lifted. While living on \$2 a day I had to severely monitor my lifestyle and to take strong measures not to act wastefully. As soon as 4 p.m. came around, it was as if this smothering blanket of cautiousness was just torn off of me," Halloran wrote on her blog.

Sophomore Sierra Stoney recognized that while the project was difficult to complete, it didn't compare to the hardships that poor people face every day.

"I can't fully engulf myself in the lifestyle of a truly impoverished person because of requirements of school. I still get to use my computer, my cell phone, my car. Poor people don't



Humphrey says that that statistic is what inspired him to implement the project.

"The goal of this project is to gain insight into how the other half of the world's population lives. Instead of just learning about economic development, this project allows my students to do economic development," Humphrey said.

In order for a UMW student to participate in the challenge, they had to be sponsored by someone willing to donate to the cause. After the student successfully lived on \$2 a day for five days, they transfer their sponsor's donation to KIVA.org.

Kiva, which is Swahili for "agreement" or "unity," is an online sponsorship site that allows individuals to loan money to small businesses in the developing world. After starting their business, the recipient of the loan is expected to repay the donor.

"We hope to utilize KIVA.org to make a direct difference in the life of an entrepreneur in a developing or transitioning society," Humphrey said.

Living on \$2 a day is not the only guideline participants had to follow. Other rules included only consuming food that had been purchased during the five day period, boiling any water taken from a public source and not taking any showers during the week. A shanty town was even constructed out of cardboard on campus for participants to re-

have all of those things," Stoney said.

While the rules were sometimes hard to follow and living on \$2 a day was certainly tough, Humphrey feels that the project was ultimately a success.

"Having read the journals that my students kept, I believe that the first stage was very successful," he said.

According to Humphrey, there are three stages to the project that must be completed. Living on \$2 a day was only the first stage.

The participants are currently involved in the second stage, which is selecting which small businesses they want to invest in. The last stage will be to receive updates from the microfinance institution that will monitor the group's investment.

Humphrey plans on making the challenge an annual spring project. He even hopes to get other universities involved.

"By having UMW and other campuses choose the same week to run the project, we may be able to draw more attention to the issue of extreme poverty," Humphrey said.

For more information about the students' experience visit:
<http://students.umw.edu/~rcrow/>

You're Killin' Me

A Column for the Misanthropes of UMW

By TIERNEY MCAFEE
Assistant Features Editor

Designated Dummy: A Flashback

My first and last stab at designated driving came during my freshman year of college on the streets of my hometown, Doylestown, Pa.

My friends Nicole, Meggie, Marissa, Colleen and I were on our way home from a no-parents party. They were packed into the backseat of my '95 Camry, singing—no, screaming, slurring along to "Peaches" by the Presidents of the United States of America.

We had just returned from college for Thanksgiving break and the taste of newfound freedom was still fresh on our tongues (as was the water-tinged tang of Natty Light). Coed sleepovers reigned and curfews were a thing of the past. We owned this town.

Or so we thought. Mere moments after

leaving the party, just as we were about to enter another heartfelt round of "millions of peaches, peaches for me," the dreaded police wail sliced through the crisp autumn air.

My friends shrieked in boozy terror. Panicking, I checked the speedometer, which revealed I was, for once, complying with the speed limit. So, why the flashing blue and red lights? Did I have a line of beer cans trailing after my car? Could they smell the tequila seeping through the pores of my undergarments?

I was a novice to law-violation, so the most I knew to do was pull over to the side of the road. The police officer marched over and filled my window with his burly build, rook features and thick, black mustache. He looked like a cross between Joseph Stalin and Officer Krupke from *West Side Story*.

Fixing me with a no-nonsense glare, Officer Krupke-Stalin demanded my license and registration.

"Do you know why I pulled you over?" he asked. I shook my head.

"Well, let's see, it's three in the morning. You usually want to have your headlights turned on around this time."

I let out a long groan, echoed by each of my partners in crime.

The five of us lined up single-file for a

breathalyzer from the officer and his friendly associates.

Officer Krupke-Stalin asked me if I had had anything to drink. I lied and said no. I had just polished off my only beer of the night minutes before leaving the party.

But, as I drew that fateful little instrument of truth to my lips, I realized I could get in even more trouble for lying.

I looked up at the officer, batted my innocent "Gee, Officer Krupke" eyes and said, "Well, I may have had a sip of something."

He nodded and motioned for me to proceed. Three triumphant zeros stared back at me. I felt luckier than a slot machine junkie who hit the jackpot.

My friends, on the other hand, were the high-blowers of the night. One by one, they generated numbers that could have easily landed them in the stomach pump section of the hospital.

While the rest of us stood on the sidelines, my curly-haired friend Colleen, who was considering a career in law, argued with Officer Krupke-Stalin over whether or not he had the right to give us breathalyzers.

I'm sure she made a very strong case, especially since she unknowingly had the word "penis" scrawled on her left cheek in permanent marker and masking tape Xs smacked across each breast. X marks the drunk girl who fell asleep too early.

The officers warned my friends that their parents would be notified, granting them the opportunity to call ahead.

As the chorus of sobbing girls dropped the bombs on their parents, I noticed another car drive by sans-headlights. My eyes darted to Officer Krupke-Stalin. He had seen it.

"Son of a bitch," he muttered. "We got another one."

He turned to another officer, who shrugged his shoulders and said, "Oh well."

Oh, the injustice!

In the end, I got off scott-free and my friends got slapped with underage drinking charges. Marissa, Colleen, Meggie and Nicole had their licenses revoked for six months and they had to attend Alcoholics Anonymous classes.

That summer, I was every one's personal taxi service. Funny enough, no one offered me any gas money.



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Entertainment

Comedic Duo Slays Great Hall

Sklar Brothers Rock the House, and Keep Audience in Stitches.

By **CAITLIN COGGINS**
Assistant Entertainment Editor

Someone with a sense of humor might have said the Sklar Brothers picked the perfect night to perform a comedy show.

For a comedian, or in this case, two comedians, the recent events involving University of Mary Washington President

Frawley were an easy target, and that was exactly how they started their show.

The Missouri-born identical twin

brothers, Randy and Jason, have been doing comedy together since high school.

"We realized we were funnier together from a young age," Randy said.

Since then, the two have never looked back. Although the two were both accepted to law school, they decided to pursue comedy together. Their distinctive "tag-team" humor has kept audiences in stitches since they moved to New York in 1994 and began performing professionally.

The Sklar Brothers' back-and-forth humor has made them favorites on VH1 shows "I Love the '80s" and "Best Week Ever."

They have also appeared on "Law and Order," "Entourage," "Becker," "The Oblongs," "Curb your Enthusiasm," and "Grey's Anatomy."

Playing both comedic and dramatic roles, the Sklars have shown that besides being funny, they can act as well. They have also appeared in several films and been on radio shows.

What is especially distinctive about the brothers is the "tag-team" form of humor. The back-and-forth banter between the two is just as engaging as when they finish each other's sentences.

Although they mostly disagree when performing a show, they also seem to share the same mind.

After the slight jab at the president, in which the brothers asked the audience if they thought it was okay that they let Frawley borrow their rental car, Jason and Randy quickly moved on to the college gender ratio and then college in general.

"So, where are all the dudes on this campus?" they asked. Although this is a normal assessment of campus life, the comment still got the audience laughing.

However, Randy and Jason did not leave themselves out of the banter. They constantly referred to themselves as "two Jews on a stage" and made fun of each other almost the entire show.

"I really enjoyed their back-and-forth humor the most," sophomore Bryan Mull said.

For the rest of the show, the Sklars discussed topics ranging from snack foods to radio stations, from magicians to Heather Mills.

Each of the topics would continue to build until the final conclusion in which the brothers were shouting and echoing each other's sentiments.

The most effective use of this echoing however, was when they described a magician they saw perform as kids. They did an impression of the microphone echo that the magician was using by echoing each other. They sounded almost exactly like a cheesy echoing microphone using only their voices.

The brothers finished the show with a hilarious version of "The Devil Went Down to Georgia," adding their own lyrics and a dance number.

The Sklar brothers were the last of Giant Production's "Serious Spring Standup Series," which Giant is planning on bringing back again next year.

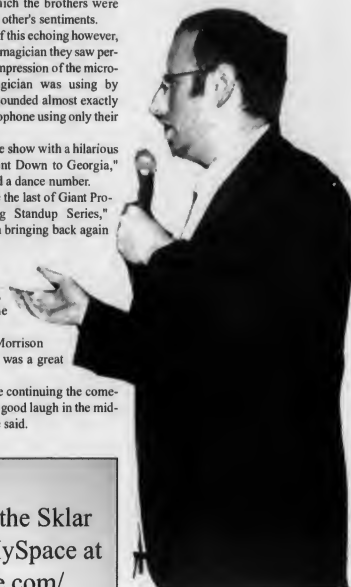
The lineup this year included Michael Ian Black, Eliot Chang, Dan Ahdoot, Kaitlin Colombo and the Sklar brothers.

Sophomore Pete Morrison thought the comedy series was a great idea.

"I'm really glad they are continuing the comedians, it was nice to have a good laugh in the middle of a stressful week," he said.

Check out the Sklar Brothers' MySpace at
myspace.com/sklarbrothers

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What's Your Favorite Campus Band Doing This Summer?



Tereu Tereu just finished working with Jason Caddell (The Dismemberment Plan) and Devin O'Campo (Medications, Beauty Pill) on their debut EP, *Feline Ambition*. The band could not be more excited about how the record sounds, and you can hear for yourself when it's released in May. This summer, the band will be rocking up and down the East Coast; be sure and say hello when they play a town near you!

Tereu Tereu is comprised of Ross Marshall, Matt Bradshaw, Ryan Little, and Adam Bray.

Check out <http://www.tereutereu.com> for tour dates and mp3s!



Junk Science will be using this summer as a time to focus on writing music, developing and refining our sound, and coming up with new ideas for shows. We are trying to explore aspects other than just playing our instruments on stage to make it more fun for the people watching (such as theatrics...think Flaming Lips concert...). We are also going to be planning and scheduling shows that we hope will be out of town, out of our comfortable Frederickburg borders, to see what people think of our music elsewhere. Some very exciting things lie ahead for Junk Science.



Grave-Robbing Extravaganza is going to be writing our asses off over this summer. Three of the four of us are going to be in the Fredericksburg area and will continue creating metal. We're discussing the possibility of taking the last few weeks of the summer break to prepare for and record an album, so keep your eyes open for that in the future. Finally, at the beginning of freshman orientation we are playing a show through OSACS to welcome new students to UMW.

We'll be back in full force next year.



Reunion time: after long, dark winter months apart, The Console War's Will Copps and Brian Young will be together again, giving your ears some much-needed and overdue spring cleaning. The Console War will be starting off the summer with the release of their debut full-length, "Shards." From there, the guys plan to expand on the success of shows at the Velvet Lounge and Grog & Tankard last summer, hopefully playing local DC shows at the Black Cat and new venues like The Red & The Black. The big stuff: potential tours of the Midwest and Mid-Atlantic, including the possibility of joining up with Frederickburg's own, the famed Pash, on a leg of their own summer tour. Visit the myspace.com/theconsolewar for updates and show listings: www.myspace.com/theconsolewar.

Pash will be doing two tours this summer, one after the semester is over and the other in late August. The first tour is May 19 to June 17 and will be going up the east coast and hitting the Midwest. You can keep posted about the dates at myspace.com/pashva or pashband.com. This will be in support of our their second full length "The Best Gun" which will be released August 28 and available at any record store. Plus hopefully Erik will graduate.



A Bittersweet Symphony For Seniors

By **SUSANNAH CLARK**
Staff Writer

Though Symfonics' upcoming Spring Invitational is expected to be a performance full of contagious beat-boxing and equally energetic vocals, for the group's graduating seniors, it will be a bittersweet symphony.

Symfonics, University of Mary Washington's sole co-ed and oldest a cappella group, has had quite a jam-packed year. Even with the transition of six new members added to the group of 14, Symfonics has managed to give stellar performances not only for campus events, but at other universities throughout the state such as William and Mary and Virginia Tech.

The day after the Spring Invitational, the singers will be traveling to the University of Pittsburgh as guest performers. Friday's concert will

feature a guest a cappella group from James Madison University, The Overtones.

Along with six new songs, Symfonics will be bringing back some crowd favorites from last semester. Such arrangements include: Crosby, Stills and Nash's "Helplessly Hoping" and The Cranberries' "Dreams."

To the delight of many, spunky freshman soloist Sam Protich's much-talked about rendition of Justin Timberlake's "Cry Me a River" will be performed again as well.

As with most a cappella groups, it is a tradition that all graduating members of Symfonics get to perform one final solo of their choice.

"This year's [final solos] fit their respective seniors to a tee," said Erica Thorsen, a graduating senior and Symfonics' financial officer.

Thorsen also said how well the new members of Symfonics seem to blend with the rest of the

group.

"We've had a great time meshing our respective styles to create one of the strongest groups we've had since I've been a member," Thorsen said. "I can't think of a better group of people to end my four years with."

Senior Marion Craig, music director of Symfonics, has similar praise.

"The amazing thing about the group is the chemistry and dynamics between the members," Craig said. "Everyone enjoys one another and we all truly strive to be the best group that they can possibly be."

UMW will be saying farewell to four of its Symfonics seniors. Philip Holbrook (2003-2007, tenor, arranger), Anna Synnetvedt (2003-2007, soprano, assistant music director), Erica Thorsen (2003-2007, alto), and Marion Craig (2005-2007, alto, arranger, music director) are all graduating

this spring.

"This group would not be the same without these seniors, and as a senior, I know I will miss being a part of such an amazing group," Craig said.

Symfonics will not just be bidding adieu to the seniors, but will also be joining the rest of the campus in saying farewell to the Lee Hall Ballroom, before it too gets renovated. Based on previous events and performances held in the past, the venue clearly has an irreplaceable aura. This Symfonics performance is sure to end the ballroom's legacy on a cheerful note.

Symfonics Spring Concert
Friday, April 20 at 8
\$3 with Student I.D.

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Submitted by: Junior Beth Wilkins

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dead."

the Spotlight

By AARON RICHARDSON
Entertainment Editor

Big Iron World
by Old Crow Medicine Show
(2006)

OLD CROW MEDICINE SHOW



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Old Crow Medicine Show has been bringing together bluegrass, blues, and country music into a contemporary form of traditional Appalachian music since 1998. Thus, narrowing down their influences to a single artist is all but impossible.

However, they have been known to cover busier tunes by the Rolling Stones, and their hit "Wagon Wheel" is a bastardized version of a Bob Dylan song. Their latest CD, *Big Iron World*, is a continuation of the style Old Crow fans adore.

As on previous releases, they range from grungy, mud-splattered blues, to plaintive down tempo country ballads like "My Good Gal." The album moves from the lighthearted Rolling Stones cover "Down Home Girl" down to sad songs like "James River Blues" by mid-album.

At almost exactly the midpoint, the album picks up with the up-beat and sexually-charged tune "New Virginia Creeper." After the mood swings of the first half of the album, OCMS provide a more random range of emotions.

As opposed to the plaintive songs of the first half, they opt for cautionary tales like "Let It Alone," and "God's Got It." On any one OCMS release, you're likely to encounter strange mixes of this kind simply because the band has no definite genre.

Many of OCMS's six members are multi-instrumentalists, and the band does not rely on the now traditional guitar/bass/drums/vocals line-up. Instead, OCMS employ banjos, steel guitars, harmonicas, fiddles, double basses, and a guitar-banjo melding called a "guitjo."

Lead vocalist Ketch Secor combines his high-register southern accented vocals and eerie violin

chords to give OCMS an almost supernatural quality.

Indeed, much of their subject matter deals with the supernatural as the band covers many old-time spirituals.

Their music, however, cannot be called "old-time," as it has sometimes been classified, because they don't play songs limited to an old-time catalogue.

Additionally, their style of arrangement is more closely related to rock and contemporary blues than old-time. When you listen to Old Crow Medicine Show, you get the feeling you're hearing a rock album played on banjo and fiddle.

If you're tired of hearing the same kind of music coming from your stereo, then try out Old Crow Medicine Show. They're a refreshing break from contemporary bands who utilize synthesizers and sing about dancing, and their music demonstrates a great degree of virtuosity.

So if you'd rather listen to a well-played fiddle or banjo than a three-chord emo anthem, give OCMS's *Big Iron World* some serious thought.

Check out OCMS on MySpace
at myspace.com/oldcrowmedicineshow

Big Iron World is available on
amazon.com for \$13.95

Top Five Roommate Complaints

By MEGAN KELLY
Staff Writer



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Let's face it, everyone has annoying habits, and that's fine. But if you do any of the following, you're lucky your roommate hasn't killed you yet.

1. The Sexile

Okay, I know that this is necessary, and it would probably be a lot more awkward to not sexile your roommate when you get a visit from the significant other. But there is nothing worse than wandering from dorm to dorm tired, pissed and temporarily homeless in true "no room at the inn" fashion.

As you wander Campus Walk, you ponder the most effective ways to murder your roommate, until you find that savior of an innkeeper who lets you sleep on his couch. And if there is no one to be found, there is always the study lounge.

2. The Overly-Exposed Roommate

You're comfortable with your own body. That's fantastic. But unless you are able to find someone who is as much of an exhibitionist as you are, DO NOT SLEEP NAKED. It does not matter that your un-air conditioned room on the top floor of Bushnell feels like Vietnam.

It is never hot enough to justify the level of awkwardness that your roommate will feel if, while sleeping, your sheets were to slip off, or the

fear he would feel every time he went to open his own door. That is just not fair. Save it for when you live on your own. You can survive a few years in pajamas.

3. The Pignen

Remember Pignen from *Charlie Brown*? He was the one covered in dirt. Don't be a Pignen. It's simple: shower regularly. No, boys, it does not need to be everyday, although that would be nice. Every other day would probably be okay. Make sure you actually use soap.

And I'm not just talking about personal hygiene. Don't live in a pignen either. Most of the student population is adult, so do your laundry. Those smelly gym clothes can make an otherwise clean room revolting. If you insist on living in a hazardous waste site, at least do your roommate the courtesy of keeping it on your side of the room.

4. The Hermit

One of the best things about Mary Wash is that, no matter how hard all this construction is trying, it is always pretty. So venture outside of the four walls of your cubicle of a room. If you're really feeling adventurous, you may even try going out of your building.

A lot of the campus is now wireless, so even if you want to stay on the computer all day, sit outside on one of the benches, go to the Wash Room, or even the Nest. Just get out. No one wants to be the weird kid who never gets out, and no one wants to live with that kid either.

5. The Pilferer

Most of us can't spend a lot of money on food. But that does not mean that you can snag food from your roommate without asking. First of all, that's just poor manners, and I'm sure that your parents taught you better. But secondly, sometimes that Easy Mac or leftover pizza in the fridge can save you starvation on a particularly bad Seaco night.

If you absolutely must have non-campus food, beg some money from your parents. They don't want their darling girl or baby boy wasting away to nothing. And Giant is literally a ten minute walk, and an even shorter car ride, so no excuses.

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among the presentations that persons with disabilities should be equally incorporated into civil society.

Senior Rebecca Clark was very interested in how Foss would present autism. "I'm not sure how often we are in contact with people with a disorder, but Foss' presentation gave me a better understanding," Clark said. "It made me realize how people with disabilities are often being exploited for the normal group's purposes."

Melish said that societal misconceptions of people with disabilities are in part what labels people as disabled.

"It's not that that person is impaired," Melish said. "It's because we've created an environment around the capacity of

one group of people, not considering that people are configured in slightly different ways."

Scott Ligon, adjunct studio art professor, acknowledged that human differences are not accommodated for in society today.

"Society values and is structured around linear thought and left-brainedness," Ligon said.

Foss agreed. "Disabilities are very much a civil rights issue," Foss said. "It just doesn't enter the public mindset the way female or African American rights do."

Through her presentation, Zurbriggen portrayed sexualization as a type of disability for females in society.

Gregory Stanton, director of the

“*The value of human thought is the prime mover of human progress.*”
—Scott Ligon

James Farmer Multicultural Center, elaborated on her point. "It is hard to grow up in America

being a girl today," Stanton said. "I know this because my daughter has informed me of this while growing up."

Melish emphasized that the Convention is a response to this progressing thought. She said it was in part the barriers that make people's differences a disorder.

"The problems with society are the structural and attitudinal barriers that they put up," Melish said.

Despite its date of ratification, Melish pointed out that the principles addressed in the Convention can still be implemented on a local level, like a state or a university.

For Foss, the implementation on a university level is not far off. "We're right on the cusp," he said.

"We're going to see the integration of individuals with disabilities into the university community in the next two decades."

Ligon said that ADD and other disabilities are as enabling as they are disabling.

"The value of human thought is the prime mover of human progress," Ligon said. "Society could be structured differently. Soon, standard won't be standard anymore."

The Convention committee's proposed ratification for the disabilities Convention is this August.

UMW Cleans Up River

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When senior Jason Pope fishes, he comes across Styrofoam cups night crawlers come in, empty hook packages, bobbers and discarded fishing line.

According to Bill Micks, director of the Virginia Outdoor Center, in past years a team of 100 trained volunteer paddlers used to paddle out in canoes to pick up submerged trash.

"On one trip we loaded our canoes so heavily that one of them swamped," said local volunteer Carol Brooks, who picked up a total of 36 tires one clean-up day with three other paddlers.

Brooks said these canoe trips posed a dangerous challenge since the un-manned canoes filled with trash tended to slip down the rapids ahead of them.

"Another [canoe] carried a tractor tire with a tall pipe sticking out of it," Brooks said. "This canoe was so heavy that the water was up to the gunnels and it looked like a little battle ship."

Carol said her brother Al paddled upstream in a loaded canoe and dove six feet to pick up a collection of silver pop tops.

"Fish are attracted to shiny items such as cans of beer and soda," said Jenn Allen, programs director at Friends of the Rappahannock.

Pope has seen trash in and along the heavily fished sections on Old Mill Park, Falmouth Waterfront Park, the city-owned property on Fall Hill Avenue and Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries' (VDGIF) river access point at Mott's Run.

Trash collecting at these sites threatens large fish such as bullhead catfish, which can grow up to 18 inches.

According to Allen, these fish feed on the bottom of the Rappahannock and easily mistake cans for food.

"However, the majority of concern about trash [along the Rappahannock] is it affects aesthetics," Allen said.

Allen recalls finding beer bongs, a large white refrigerator near River Road and an abandoned hobo camp site consisting of tents made of various materials at fall 2005's river clean-up, in which 209 volunteers picked up 9,000 pounds of trash.

According to Micks, the clean-up area is now concentrated near I-95, Route 1 and Ely's Ford where debris blows off from the side of the road and lands on the shores of the Rappahannock.

"A fundamental reality of river recreation is pollution," Pope said. "I have fished some of the most remote trout creeks in the mid-Atlantic, and without fail will find some trash."

Rappahannock River Clean Up

When: Saturday, April 21
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South Goes Co-ed This Fall

By SARAH FINNEY
Staff Writer

South Hall, the University of Mary Washington's all-male upper-class residence hall, will be turning co-ed next year.

Planned to take effect for the fall 2007 school year, the implementation of these new changes was sparked by the overwhelming amount of female residents in need of housing next year.

Director of Residence Life Christine Porter said the change was not the lack of upperclass housing around campus, though there are many students placed on housing waiting lists, but instead it is because of the increased ratio of female residents over male residents this year.

"In order to make enough housing accommodations for as many of the students as possible, a change such as this must be made," Porter said.

Porter said that the hall has been all male since she arrived here in 1999. Despite having all of the typical residence amenities, such as central air and a prime location, the particular residence hall has not been a popular pick among male students.

Porter realized this lack of enthusiasm.

"In all the years I have been at

UMW, I have not met one male resident who wants to request South Hall," Porter said.

Adam Holofcener, South Hall council president, also expressed his difficulty with the residence hall.

"In terms of the dorm itself, it is terrible," Holofcener said. "It has the aesthetics of a mental institution, the doors don't stay open so you can't really socialize, and the rooms are extremely cold and small. Most of the guys I met in the dorm were there for the same reasons I was. We got a really poor lottery number and would rather have housing than be put on the waiting list."

Although South Hall is not a very well-liked choice among upperclassmen, residents of South like sophomore Daniel Curran have expressed positive thoughts toward South Hall's living situation.

"The community we created with Framar, the International Hall, was in itself a great escape from campus stresses," Curran said. "This was able to form because of the lack of outside interruption."

For many, the change to South Hall is a move toward the right direction.

Curran agreed. "It is a great idea," he said. "The reputation will lose its negative stigma



Courtesy of UMW.edu

South Hall, UMW's all-male upper-class residence hall, will turn co-ed in the fall. Nine females have signed up to date.

and the dorm will smell better. There was no sense in having an all-guys dorm to begin with."

Female on-campus residents also shared positive opinions about South's switch to co-ed status.

Freshman Ashley Scutari was placed on the waiting list for housing next year.

"I think it's a great idea because I just want a place to live next year," Scutari said. "That would open up more opportunities. Plus, it has air-conditioning."

Even though South Hall is one of the smaller residence halls available to students living on campus, its accommodations for both male and female residents will create more options for on-campus students.

At capacity, South Hall's suite-style rooms can accommodate living quarters for 42 upperclassmen next fall, and nine females, including the head resident. Twenty-three males are signed up to live in the residence hall this fall.

President Placed On Paid Leave

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and Sciences said that in her four years working alongside Frawley she had never seen him take a single drink.

"I'm in disbelief," Lipscomb said. "Whenever we were at functions where beer or wine were served, he would always turn it down. He just didn't drink."

Lipscomb said that she was concerned for Frawley's wife Maria, an English professor at GWU.

"I was relieved to learn that another dean had made brief contact with Maria through e-mail," Lipscomb said. "We have been trying to give them both space, but we're worried about them."

When asked how she was coping with the events of last week, Mrs. Frawley said that it had been "a very, very difficult time for all in [the] family."

"I'm devoting all my energy to helping my husband and to keeping a routine going for our children, so that their world feels stable to them," Frawley said.

Mrs. Frawley stressed how grateful she and President Frawley have been for the outpouring of support from the Mary Washington and Fredericksburg communities.

Incoming Faculty Senate President Marie Rigby said that providing support to the Frawley family was of vital importance to the welfare of the campus community. This week, Rigby and current Faculty Senate President Stephen Fuller penned a statement expressing concern and welcoming president Frawley back to the University, "if



Katy Burnell/Bulletin

During the Board of Visitor's press conference, rector William Poole announced President Frawley's interim replacement by Rick Hurley.

circumstances allow."

The letter, which opens "On behalf of the UMW faculty" provoked reaction from some faculty members who were not aware that a statement was being made on their behalf.

One such professor, Psychology Department Chair Debbie Steckler, said that she and several other professors were not happy with the statement.

"I was not consulted about this,"

Steckler said. "They should have talked to the faculty before making such a statement on our behalf."

Rigby said that although she received some emails from concerned colleagues, faculty members generally supported what she considers to be a neutral gesture.

"We really aren't taking any position except being human and compassionate," Rigby said. "We wanted to give

voice to the concerns that are widespread in the faculty."

The Rector of the Board of Visitors, Bill Poole, one of the few officials to have spoken with Frawley during the past week, said it was too soon to discuss further decisions regarding Frawley's role at the University.

"This is a bump in the road, albeit a serious one," Poole said, speaking at an April 12 press conference.

After the press conference ended Poole said that the outcome of Frawley's court cases "will not necessarily" impact the BOV's decision making process.

"It could impact the decision, but we don't know yet," Poole said. "We will evaluate the situation and our decision based on how he progresses."

Frawley will remain on paid leave until further notice.

Fairfax County Police Spokesperson Camille Neville said that Frawley had not yet been served with a warrant for the DUI charge he accrued Tuesday night on his way to a parent-teacher conference at his son's school.

In an e-mail to UMW spokeswoman Teresa Mannix, Neville stated that Fairfax County police were in the process of negotiating with Frawley's attorney, the Stafford-based lawyer Phil Sasser, Jr. Neville said that the investigating officer is seeking to have Sasser bring Frawley to the Fairfax County Magistrate in the next few days to be served with his warrant.

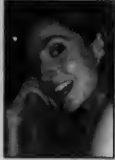
Fredericksburg General District Court documents show that Frawley's arraignment, which was originally scheduled for April 19, has been bumped to July.

Viewpoints

Tiers To You, Kid!

By Tierney Plumb, Associate Editor

It seems that tragedies have coincided with major stages of our academic careers. Columbine occurred in grade school. Over the loudspeaker in second-period high school English class, I learned that two airplanes hit the Twin Towers. As I am writing this column right now, this week's nearby nightmare is still fresh in our minds.



the world at any time. I seized the moment to reconcile with my best friends from high school over a catty fight we had been having throughout sophomore year.

No matter what age we are, the phenomenon of such tragedies during our schooling years is that they bring students together. Despite political views, few can contest President Bush's comforting words

on Monday. "Schools should be places of sanctuary and safety and learning. When that sanctuary is violated, the impact is felt in every American classroom and every American community." So does a tragedy need to occur to make us fully appreciate the amazing people in our lives?

A Virginia Tech student said of his near-death experience during the shooting that "all I could think about was my mom." It made me think of freshman year, when I selfishly lost contact with my parents amidst the initial thrill of college life. Take these next few months at home to share laughs and time with the parents and siblings you've been away from all year. Stay in contact with new friends from college and reconnect with old ones from high school.

There will be other tragedies all around us, but we can't get caught up in fearing the "what ifs." The important thing to remember is that life is short—especially the four years of college—but it's also sweet, for certain. So talk to a new face. Register for a class unrelated to your major. Go out on a school night. Take a chance on a relationship. *Live*. God can take us at any time, and unfortunately for dozens of people our age this week, that time came way too soon.

But days will evolve into months, and victims' families and immediate friends will be mourning for years to come. The irony in waking up April 16 was it was the two-year anniversary of losing my good friend from UMW to a sudden car accident.

Two years later, it's still a grieving process. But I know that for her other close friends and family, it is going to be a lifelong and emotional battle. At her funeral, the chilling question the priest asked was, "Why are we here?" That day I realized how fleeting life is, and we can leave



Today We Are
All Hokies

Sexclamations On The Books

By Etz England, Staff Writer



We all know that "Virginia is for Lovers," but most people don't know that missionary is the only legal position in this state.

However, Virginia's characteristically "abstinence only" sex education classes failed to mention this law (at least to me). So, unless you spend your Friday nights reading state laws, you are likely to commit a crime sometime in your sexual life. You can thank me later for warning you. If you do decide to live on the wild side and try the ever-so-raunchy "girl-on-top" position, beware: ignorance to the law is never a sufficient defense.

If you are a huge fan of missionary and have escaped committing the crime of experimentation, you're not safe yet. It is a class four misdemeanor to have sex if you're unmarried. Another law that might affect you seniors out there: co-habitation is illegal. Keep this in mind when you're looking at off campus apartments.

Steer clear of "bawdy places," kids, because each visit is a separate offense. If you think the law is simply referring to a "whore house" you're wrong. In fact, a "bawdy place" doesn't even need a roof or structure. According to the code of Virginia, a "bawdy place" is anywhere that could "be used for lewdness, assignation or prostitution." Based on the definition of "lewdness" and "assignation," I'm pretty sure that Virginia Hall (second semester) and Ball Circle (once it gets warm) are both "bawdy places."

There are other more ridiculous sex laws in this state, but they are actually county regula-

tions. Since I didn't find any particularly interesting ones from Fredericksburg, I decided to skip warning people about individual locations.

I bet all of you out-of-state kids are laughing hysterically and thanking Zeus that the few thousand dollars extra you pay at least bought you the right to be promiscuous. Think again. Well, actually Virginia is still the proudest state, but you aren't entirely free.

If you live in Harrisburg, Penn., it is illegal to have "sex with a truck driver in a toll booth." Sorry to burst your bubble. I know how utterly disappointed you are that I have ruined your number one sexual fantasy.

Similarly, in Massachusetts you cannot have sex with a rodeo clown. Again I must be the bearer of such bad news.

To all the students reading the column and nervously checking over their shoulder for Johnny Law, calm down. I intended this column to entertain, not terrify you. Take comfort in the fact that states do not enforce the majority of these laws. Most of these laws have been on the books for ages. However, if you do get caught and the story runs front page center, you'll be a rock star. Also, if you did have sex with a rodeo clown, you probably won't go to jail, but your friends will never let you forget it either. I'm not sure which is worse.

But if this column shook you up a little, maybe you should play it safe for awhile. I recommend lights off, blinds down, missionary and no smooth jazz (it's a dead give away). Be safe!

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Sports

Women Gallop To Nationals

By ELIZABETH HILLGROVE
Staff Writer

Sprained knees, two broken arms, scrapes, bruises and a few occasions of hurt pride. UMW's Equestrian team is full of determined athletes who are not afraid to be in a little danger.

The team's determined girls prove to also be talented riders as UMW sent four of them to the Zones Championship Horse Show this year.

On April 1, 2007, UMW Equestrian team riders Junior Erin Richardson, Co-Captain and Junior Lauren Campbell, Sophomore Jessica Van Brocklin and Sophomore Bradley Bounds competed with riders from other colleges at Zones, hosted at Virginia Tech.

UMW is also privileged to be sending its fifth team to Nationals this year. Richardson and Van Brocklin will pack up their stirrups and helmets and hurtle up to The Big E in West Springfield, Massachusetts to compete in the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association National Championships from May 3-6, 2007.

While those not experienced with the Equestrian sport may immediately think of Black Beauty, Seabiscuit and John Wayne, the competition involved in these shows is far from simple horse trotting.

"I get so frustrated when people don't consider riding to be athletically challenging," Bounds shared. "I have permanent scars on both my legs from brutal practices."

These practices at UMW include practicing the jumps, practicing form and trying combinations of the two as suggested in "challenges" or tests by their coach. To keep up with the stiff competition, which they did meet at Zones, these in-practice tests only increased in their difficulty as Zones drew nearer.

Richardson, who boasted the title of high point rider of the year in the American Inter-school riding Competition in high school, described the rigorous practice that the team endured to get to Zones.

"We had practices with just the four of us and had to do exercises and tests that could be asked

of us at the Zone finals where the competition is greater and therefore the testing is more challenging and specific," she said.

"Practices for the team have become quite intense, many lessons I spend without stirrups, which can be painful and tiring," said Bounds, who has been riding since she was a 3-year-old.

The girls got to spend even more time together at Zones this year where they say they enjoyed bonding as a team, while racking up points for UMW.

Richardson, who has competed in Zones each of the three years she has been riding for UMW, described the school's welcoming

"They had a big banquet for us, our friends and our families. It was really nice and a lot of fun," she said.

Returning successful and proud, Richardson and Van Brocklin could take only a second to breath until it was back to the stables. It was time to prepare for the upcoming National Championships, which meant more practices and tougher competition.

According to the team's website, the University has sent at least one rider to national championships in one or more divisions for 12 of the past 14 years.

All of this practicing, and on such tall and powerful animals, leaves plenty of opportunity for injury to go with the success.

"I've only fallen off once since being at college," Campbell noted, knocking on a wooden table.

"Me too," Richardson laughed, also knocking.

However, pre-college riding, Campbell has broken her arm on two separate occasions, each of them has suffered from bumps and bruises, Bounds has been hospitalized just this year with an injury and Richardson has sprained her knee.

"A horse fell on me one time. He tripped and



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Jessica Van Brocklin, Bradley Bounds, Lauren Campbell and Erin Richardson show off their medals from Zone Competitions. The Eagle women compete in nationals this May.

fell over and fell on me, smashing my leg," Richardson said, almost laughing now while describing her story with hand motions.

Bounds commented on why she loves the potentially dangerous sport so much.

"It keeps me going, it is such a rush. I am so amazed that riders are able to control a 1000-lb animal and get it to do what the rider is asking," she said.

John Wayne may have made it look easy, but these girls are doing the real work.

Van Brocklin spends many weekends showing her own horse in addition to riding for the team. This year she was the overall high point rider in UMW's region, allowing her to compete in the Cacchione Cup finals.

"We are so lucky to have Beth [Boetler] training us. She's a great coach and has taught me so much this year," she said.

According to Funkhouser, the girls have high hopes for next year.

"Next year we'll hopefully be sending a full team to Zones," she said. "We were really close

this year." Funkhouser was proud of and excited for the girls who advanced to Zones and Nationals.

"They deserve it and I'm really happy all of their hard work has paid off," she said.

They seem ready to advance this work ethic and increase their effort for the future.

"Our goal is to make it to Nationals, cause Nationals are in Los Angeles next year," Richardson said, musingly.

Campbell enthusiastically agreed. "It'll be our last year. We'll definitely have a chance next year," she said.

The Eagle women compete in Region 1, Zone 4. Other colleges in this region include American University, CNU, W&M, GMU, GWU, Goucher College, Hood College and Johns Hopkins

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Sports



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Senior infielder Tom McDermott swings as Saturday's game. The Eagle men soared past the Salisbury University Sea Gulls, 13-7 in their last home game.

Eagle Men Soar Past Salisbury

By JONATHAN WIGGINTON
Staff Writer

The rain and bone-chilling wind was a sign of sloppiness to come in Saturday's baseball game between the UMW Eagles and the visiting Salisbury University sea gulls.

While the Eagle men committed three errors themselves, visiting Salisbury committed an astounding five which helped lead the Eagles to 13 runs.

Junior starting first baseman Chase Townsend swas dispondent about the five opposing errors.

"We never expect that many errors," he said. "But no one was complaining. The Eagles have won 15 out of their last 17 games, losing only Catholic University, in a tough extra-inning loss, and a to powerhouse and number 23 ranked York College.

In the first inning, starting pitcher Nate Hartman retired the visiting Sea Gulls in order, with help from second baseman Todd McDermott, who fielded every batted ball that inning. A recent trend for the Eagles has been to strike early, usually scoring runs in the first inning. They continued that trend: Junior outfielder Riley Gorman singled and then advanced to second on a passed ball, and then to third on a wild pitch. A perfectly placed ball by senior shortstop Eric Fitzgerald allowed Gorman to score, making the score at the end of the first 1-0.

The second and third innings saw a barrage of hits from both teams as the third inning ended in a 4-4 tie. The fourth inning was even more exciting for fans. The visiting team scored two runs on an error and a passed ball, making the score 6-4 in favor of the Salisbury, but the Eagles came right back.

After Gorman and senior outfielder Mike Murphy both were retired, Fitzgerald walked and later advanced to third on a single by Townsend and a fielding error by the opposing centerfielder. Fol-

lowing a pitching change, third baseman Chris Anderson singled in Fitzgerald and Townsend, once again tying it at 6-6. Much to the dismay of the opposition, the Eagles were not done yet. Junior catcher Alex Rossi and junior outfielder Jon Sims both added RBI singles, to end an exciting fourth inning with the Eagles ahead 8-6.

Starting pitcher Hartman cruised through the fifth and sixth innings, allowing only one hit, and striking out two, both on called third strikes. The Eagles scored again in the sixth.

Head Coach Tom Sheridan was pleased with the team's performance.

"[They] hit well and put the ball in play," he said.

These were both keys to succeeding offensively in baseball. An RBI single by Murphy scored McDermott, who had reached base on an error by the opposing shortstop. Townsend added to the run total with a two-run single, scoring Fitzgerald and Murphy. The scoreboard at the end of the sixth saw the Eagles ahead, 13-6.

Two errors allowed Salisbury to add one run to their total, making it 13-7. After a single, Coach Sheridan decided to take starting pitcher Hartman out of the game.

Hartman understood his replacement.

"My arm felt good, but it was a smart decision to take me out," he said.

Replacing Hartman, who "battled," according to Coach Sheridan, was sophomore Wes Hayden. Hayden pitched a perfect eighth inning, striking out two batters.

Hayden joked with Sheridan about his one blemish told his coach, "I had to walk one for you coach," he said. This attitude and joking manner sums up what has a very successful season thus far.

The Eagles opened up the Capital Athletic Conference with a win against St. Mary's College, 16-2. Their next game is at home today, Thursday, April 19th against an opponent to be named.

Seahawks Grasp Eagles In Talons

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On the cold, rainy afternoon of Saturday, 14 April, the eleventh-ranked Eagles took on the unranked Seahawks of St. Mary's College of Maryland in a match that went back and forth, capturing the hopes of the dedicated onlookers, and ultimately leaving the Eagles' perfect record in conference play blemished, but their spirits unbroken.

When asked what the team did well, Coach Dana Hall said, "Nothing," she continued, "We didn't come out and play hard or quick." This certainly seemed the case Saturday as the Eagles fell behind early, with the deficit proving irrecoverable.

The bout began with an early lead by the Seahawks, who made the score 6-1 about midway through the first half with 2-0 and 4-0 scoring runs interrupted by a goal from Margaret Murray who finished with three on the day.

Kaitlyn Barker and Caitlin Erickson tacked on goals in the first half; the latter coming with about three minutes to play in the first half after a couple quick shots, including one that hit the crossbar. UMW began to feel the momentum shifting before a goal St. Mary's MD just before the half that left the Eagles battered, trailing 7-3, but by no means beaten.

Barker said of the team, "we did not come out ready to play." She elaborated on her sentiment, "Personally, I think the team as a whole might have taken them too lightly." Unranked St. Mary's MD, by handing the Eagles their first loss coming into their game with Salisbury, has put the UMW

ladies in an unfavorable predicament.

Now a loss to Salisbury would place the Eagles in a three-way tie for second with two losses, where taking for granted a victory on Saturday would have earned them a tie with Salisbury going into the final game against the Gulls. Though, an upset against number two-ranked Salisbury would still give the Eagles a tie with Salisbury for first in the CAC going into the conference tournament.

In the second half, an early goal that was alertly swatted in by junior, Amy Bruce, reflected the Eagles' refreshed resolve that was affirmed at halftime with their shrieks and cries of encouragement. This goal brought the Eagles to within three goals with the score 7-4 and the Seahawks still out front.

But, St. Mary's MD responded with two goals of their own, one coming from Lauren Carrier who placed one in the back of the Eagles' net after shirking a couple defenders. Carrier would give UMW fits all day—finishing with four goals to lead all scorers.

Reflecting on the bitter loss on Saturday, Hall looked on the game with disdain, saying, "I don't like to lose." That attitude will certainly need to be a communal one if the Eagles are to end their season with a win.

The Eagles and Seahawks would continue to swap goals and streaks for the remainder of the game, both scoring 7 goals in the second half. The respective warring flocks of birds would be comparable in every category except for turnovers and scoring of course—the Seahawks had 25 compared to the Eagles' 16—failing to capitalize on



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Senior Meghan O'Leary passes the ball at Saturday's game. The Eagle women fell to the Saint Mary's Seahawks, 14-10 in Capital Athletic Conference action.

this statistical victory with goals.

The Eagles will battle the aforementioned Sea Gulls of Salisbury State University on Thursday at 4:30 p.m. at Salisbury. This game will deter-

mine whether Salisbury has sole possession or a share in the first place ranking going into the conference tournament, which begins on April 22.

Upcoming Events

March 9 - Baseball vs. Southern Virginia College, 3 p.m.

March 10 - Men's Tennis vs. CNU, 3:30 p.m.

vs. Hood College, 6 p.m.

March 11 - Men's Lacrosse vs. Marymount, 4 p.m.

Women's Tennis vs. Johns Hopkins, 3:30 p.m.

vs. St Marys College, 6 p.m.

